

ITEM NO: \_\_\_\_\_

PREPARED BY: Deborah K. Lingo

COMMISSIONER: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED BY: Lisa Kelly

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2009 OPERATING BUDGET TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147,160.00 AND APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH PREMIER ELECTION SOLUTIONS, INC, FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF THESE STATE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE RENTAL OF ADDITIONAL VOTING MACHINES FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION. RESOLUTION SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER JOE FORD.**

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**WHEREAS**, The State of Tennessee, Department of State, Division of Elections, has entered into a Grant Contract with the Shelby County Election Commission for the provision of Certified Voting Equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, The contract with the State of Tennessee for the provision of \$147,160.00 in funding for the rental of additional voting machines for the November 4<sup>th</sup> election is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, The Shelby County Election Commission has approved by resolution the provisions of said Grant Contract to acquire additional certified voting equipment for use in the election day polling places and early voting sites during the upcoming November 4, 2008, General Election, a copy of the resolution is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B; and

**WHEREAS**, The contract with Premier Election Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$147,160.00 is attached for approval for two hundred twenty (220) additional AccuVote Touch Screen – TSX voting units is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit C; and

**WHEREAS**, The pricing of this equipment for rental for this one time use is consistent with state pricing and the Shelby County Purchasing Department concurs with the selection of Premier Election Solutions, Inc..

**WHEREAS**, There will be no cost to Shelby County Government for the rental of the additional voting machines and equipment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE**, That the FY 2009 operating budget be amended by increasing account number 561-202902-4330 Election Commission State Grants and account number 561-202902-6795 Election Commission Equipment Rental in the amount of \$147,160.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the contract with Premier Election Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$147,160.00 for the rental of two hundred twenty (220) additional voting units and equipment is hereby approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the County Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents required for this purpose.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the funds received from the Grant Contract with the State of Tennessee, Department of State, Division of Elections are sufficient to cover the cost of the above rental at no cost to Shelby County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the County Mayor and the Director of Administration and Finance are authorized to issue their warrant or warrants in amounts not to exceed \$147,160.00 for the purposes contained in this resolution to rent additional voting machines and equipment and to take proper credit in their accounting therefore.

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A C Wharton, Jr., County Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_

## **SUMMARY SHEET**

### **I. Description of Item**

**Resolution to approve expenditure of grant funds received from the State of Tennessee in the amount of \$147,160.00 for the rental of additional voting machines to be used in the November 4, 2008 General Election from Premier Election Solutions, Inc.**

### **II. Source and Amount of Funding**

**Grant Contract from State of Tennessee - \$147,160.00**

### **III. Contract Items**

**The contract is with Premier Election Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$147,160.00 for the rental of additional voting machines for the November 4, 2008 election. The pricing of the rental of these machines is consistent with the state pricing. Due to the urgency of this purchase Shelby County purchasing concurs with the selection of Premier Election Solutions as the provider of these machines for the November 4, 2008 election.**

### **IV. Additional Information Relevant to Approval of this Item**

**The Shelby County Election Commission approved this expenditure at their October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. A copy of the resolution adopted by the Election Commission is attached.**

**The Administration recommends approval of this resolution**